

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 2 and amend Claim 1 as follows.

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1. (AMENDED) A damper comprising:
- a closed pressure tube having an inner wall which forms a sealed working chamber;
 - a piston disposed within said working chamber, said piston slidably engaging said pressure tube to divide a first portion of said working chamber into an upper working chamber and a lower working chamber;
 - a first flow path extending through said piston to provide communication between said upper working chamber and said lower working chamber;
 - a valve body disposed within said working chamber to define a fluid chamber located in a second portion of said working chamber said valve body being fixedly secured to said pressure tube; and
 - a second flow path extending through said valve body to provide communication between said lower working chamber and said fluid chamber, said second fluid flow path being an open flow path.

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 6-8 remain pending in the present invention. Claim 8 is withdrawn from consideration at this time. Claim 2 has been cancelled. Claim 1 has been amended. Basis for the amendments can be found throughout the specification, claims and drawings as originally filed.